



2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Year 11 pupils on the way they have conducted themselves this week as they have started their mock examinations. Preparation for exams can be extremely stressful for pupils but I have to commend Year 11 on their exceptional conduct this week and their attitude and positivity towards their revision. Pupils will receive their mock examination results when we return after the Christmas break.

Next week we will start our year group 'Christmas Lunches' where each year team will come together to have a festive meal at the same time and finish their lunch with a game of Bingo. This was hugely successful last year and we are really looking forward to this event this year. Lunches will start at 1pm and are charged at the same price as a meal deal.

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 7
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 8
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 9
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 10
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 11

During the final week of term, pupils will be going on their 'Christmas Reward Trips'. It is testament to the hard work and dedication of our pupils that so many have accessed the reward trips this term due to excellent behaviour and attendance. Year 7 and 8 pupils are going to see a pantomime, Year 9 and 10 to the cinema and Year 11 are finishing their mock exams in style and going bowling. I know pupils are looking forward to these trips and that they will be excellent ambassadors for school. With the exception of Year 11, school uniform will be worn on all the reward trips and on the final day of term, pupils will be able to wear their own clothes to school.

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding our annual PTFA Year 7 family social event and quiz night. We have a huge number of families attending already but it's not too late to buy a ticket for your family. A family ticket costs £5 - payment to be made via ParentPay and reply slips can be returned to pupil reception. There will be also be a raffle as part of the event. Any donations of raffle prizes are most welcomed and should be left with Mrs Dumbell at pupil reception.

Please can I remind all parents about the dangers of social media for our young people. The message that we give to pupils is that we always want them to be kind to each other and never to send messages that are unkind or inappropriate. I know it is extremely difficult to monitor your children's social media use but please continue to guide them and talk to them about how they should try to use their mobile phones and the varying social media platforms that they are able to access.

One of the many comments made by all the inspectors on our recent Ofsted inspection was about how impressive our school uniform was and how smart all the pupils look on their way to and from school and during the school day. Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring that uniform is worn correctly and that no make-up or false tan is worn in school. If you require any items of school uniform we have an impressive selection of 'new unused' and 'nearly new' items in school. Please contact Mrs Dumbell [dumbellr@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:dumbellr@broughtonhigh.co.uk) or Miss Cross [crosse@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:crosse@broughtonhigh.co.uk) if needed. Items will be bagged alongside all items of uniform and donations can be made easily through ParentPay.

Headteacher: Mr David Botes

Yesterday, Mr Lord hosted another impressive careers event for our Year 10 pupils. We were visited by a number of guests speaking on the theme of 'Learn to Earn'. Pupils were given hints and tips on how to approach their next steps in education, apprenticeships, employment, and training. The session included everything from skill assessment, personal branding, CV writing and exploration of their digital footprint. I know the pupils found the sessions extremely valuable and interesting.

We are saying goodbye to two members of staff at Christmas who between them have over 55 years of service to the school. Mrs Gledhill has been a teacher at Broughton for 40 years and as well as being Head of PE when I was a pupil here, she has had a number of other roles including being our school Safeguarding Lead, our SEND Lead and Assistant Headteacher. Mrs Gledhill has decided that the time is right to retire and I am sure you will join me in wishing her a long and happy retirement. Mrs Gledhill will be greatly missed.

Mr Yasin joined Broughton in 2005 and has been an excellent teacher and Head of Computing. His excellent subject knowledge, care for the pupils, sense of humour and calm approach will be missed by both pupils and staff. Mr Yasin is starting as Headteacher at Edenfield Girls' High School from January. We wish him all the very best of luck in his new role. Mr Yasin will be replaced by Mr Parkin in January as Head of Computing.

School will close for Christmas at 1.00pm on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December and the new term will start on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January at 8.40am.

Key dates are as follows:

Year 7 PTFA Family Social	Wednesday 7 December 2022
School Christmas Concert	Monday 12 December 2022
Year 7 & Year 8 Reward Trips	Tuesday 13 December 2022
Year 9 & Year 10 Reward Trips	Wednesday 14 December 2022
Year 11 Reward Trip	Friday 16 December 2022
School closes for Christmas at 1.00pm	Friday 16 December 2022
School opens	Tuesday 3 January 2023
Year 7 Parents' Evening	Thursday 9 February 2023
School closes for half term	Friday 10 February 2023
School opens	Monday 20 February 2023
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Thursday 16 March 2023
Year 9 Parents' & Options Evening	Thursday 30 March 2023
School closes for Easter	Friday 31 March 2023
School opens	Monday 17 April 2023
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 20 April 2023
School closes for May Bank Holiday	Monday 1 May 2023
Year 8 Parents' Evening	Thursday 4 May 2023

If you ever need to contact me about any aspect of school life please email me and I will always try to respond as soon as possible (botesd@broughtonhigh.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,



David Botes  
Headteacher

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### General Knowledge

### Years 7, 8, 9

1. The three main primary colours are **Red, Yellow and Blue**.
2. The **River Ribble** flows through Preston.
3. The **Triassic Period** came before the Jurassic Period.
4. The **Tour de France** is the most famous bicycle race in the world.
5. When people want to borrow money to buy a house, the type of loan is called a **mortgage**.
6. **No. 10 Downing Street** is the traditional residence of every British Prime Minister.
7. The **Sahara Desert** located on the African continent is the largest desert in the world.
8. The Second World War officially ended in Europe in **1945**.
9. The word vaccine has an etymology derived from the **Latin word 'vacca' meaning cow**.
10. In 1796, an English doctor called **Edward Jenner** infected a young boy with cowpox. Later, he injected the child with the deadly smallpox virus and he did not become ill/die. Thus, the first vaccine was developed, saving thousands of lives.

#### Years 7 and 8

Test on Wednesday 7 December

#### Year 9

Test on Thursday 8 December

#### Learn these 10 facts for the test.

**How are you going to remember the answers?**

- ✓ write them down
- ✓ say them out loud
- ✓ get someone to test you

## Open to all Year 9s!



Mrs Gornall and Mr Alston need your help! We want to create a **Broughton newspaper** and need a team of Year 9 volunteers to help with designing the paper, writing, editing, reporting, interviewing, photographing etc ....

If you are interested, please drop us an email ([gornall@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:gornall@broughtonhigh.co.uk)) or pop by to see us in the English department. We hope to hear from you soon!

Meetings will commence after the Christmas holidays.

Broughton High School's PTFA invite you to their

## Year 7 Family Social Event

Join us for a fun night of (easy!) quiz questions

**Tickets:**  
**£5 per family**  
including buffet

Payment to be made via  
Parent Pay and reply slips  
to be returned to  
Mrs Dumbell at Pupil Reception  
to request a ticket.

**Wednesday 7th December 2022**  
**at 6.30pm**

### National Grief Awareness Week

The theme for this year is to open conversations and normalise grief. Whether it's in school, at home, in the community or online, you can reach out, have conversations, and support one another.

Show your support:

- Respect a person's way of grieving
- Try to avoid giving advice and explaining loss.
- Help and support with everyday practical tasks
- Offer comfort- a hug or in words
- Be a good listener
- Accept different moods
- Stay connected and available

**You can get advice, help and support ...**

**Family, friends, websites/groups and school - Roots Counselling.**

- ❖ **The good grief trust**  
[www.thegoodgrieftrust.org](http://www.thegoodgrieftrust.org)
- ❖ **HOPE AGAIN**  
[www.hopeagain.org.uk](http://www.hopeagain.org.uk)
- ❖ **CHILD BEREAVEMENT UK**  
[www.childbereavement.org.uk](http://www.childbereavement.org.uk)
- ❖ **CRUISE BEREAVEMENT**  
[www.cruise.org.uk](http://www.cruise.org.uk)

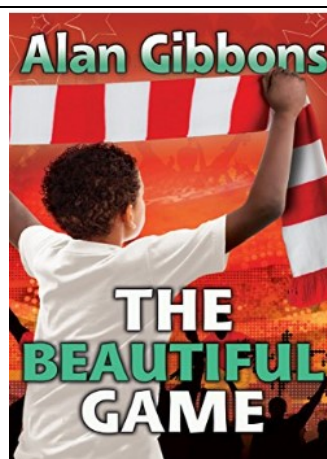
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### Year 7 Group Reading

Once a week, Year 7 pupils visit the library during their English lessons. Recently, a number of pupils have volunteered to take part in some group reading during these sessions, allowing them to share their progress and ideas about the chosen stories, 'Peace Maker' by Malorie Blackman and 'The Beautiful Game' by Alan Gibbons.

Pupils involved have shown a high level of maturity and have concentrated on reading aloud and understanding the key themes.

Well done to all the Year 7 pupils involved:



**Alfie Derbyshire, Joshua Augustine, Jack Catterall,  
Charlie Clarkson, Charlie Fletcher, Madeline Rooney,  
Hannah Towers, Evie Dewhurst, Summer Kearns, Joe Mitchell,  
Charlie Betteridge, Daniyal Aslam and Toby Jenkinson.**

Mrs Lees

## Year 8 Self Portraits

My Year 8 Artists have been working on A4 sized pencil self-portraits from direct observation, using mirrors and black and white selfies. Here are the highest achieving examples; really fabulous work by such young artists!

Ms Smith



**Harry Douglass and Aysia Kearns**

**Joe Oughton and Tanishka Gosalia**



**Henry Mason and Elizabeth Georgeson**

**Maximo Cornacchione and Tiana Dunkley**



BROUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS...



# CHRISTMAS IN CONCERT

FEATURING PERFORMANCES FROM SCHOOL ENSEMBLES AND SOLOISTS

MONDAY DECEMBER 12TH | 6:30 PM  
BROUGHTON HIGH SCHOOL - JUNIOR DINING  
HALL



FREE ENTRY! (DONATIONS WELCOME)  
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM PUPIL RECEPTION



# WORD OF THE WEEK

w/c 5<sup>th</sup> December

**abject: adj.**  
**utterly hopeless.**

## Example

It was probably just as well that so few were present to witness such an **abject** performance.

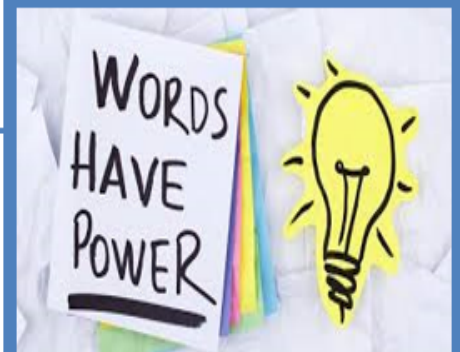
## Synonyms

miserable, humiliating, wretched.

## Antonym

excellent.

SCHOOL SYNERGY



## **BUS SERVICE RETIMING & REROUTING**

### **SERVICE 696 COTTAM VIA CATFORTH**

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Please see the revised timetable attached .



# CAREERS HUB



This section of the newsletter informs pupils and parents of the latest careers news, events held in school and opportunities further afield. Links to external employers and training providers can be accessed by clicking on the links underlined. Any careers queries can be directed to Mr Lord by email [lord@broughtonhigh.co.uk](mailto:lord@broughtonhigh.co.uk)

## JOB OF THE WEEK

Click to watch a small information video



### Kennel Worker

Kennel workers look after or care for dogs and cats in kennels or catteries.

Salary – £12,000 – 17,000

Typical Hours – 35-40 hours per week which will likely include weekends and evening work.

Find out more information on this career path via the National Careers Website [here](#).

### EPISODE #11 - KENNEL WORKER



## NOTICES

### Whole school careers fair

The whole school careers fair held on the 24<sup>th</sup> November was a huge success. Employers only had positive comments to make about the pupils at Broughton. Pupils approached the exhibitors with enthusiasm and a thirst for knowledge.

Should your son or daughter want to book a careers conversation with Paula (The schools independent advisor), please ask them to book a slot with Mrs Dumbell on Pupil Reception.

## VACANCY

One of our exhibitors from last weeks Careers Fair was **Alliance Learning**. They were keen to make Year 11 pupils aware of the live apprenticeships that they have available. To browse the live positions or to register an interest, scan the QR code below.



# CAREERS HUB

  
BROUGHTON  
HIGH SCHOOL  
Achieving Together



 **employability**  
masterclass

Young Enterprise Company were invited into school to deliver an employability masterclass to our year 10 students. Delivered by five industry experts, pupils were given hints and tips on how to approach their next steps in education, apprenticeships, employment, and training. The session included everything from skill assessment, personal branding, CV writing and exploration of their digital footprint. The team at Young Enterprise were very complimentary on the behaviour and engagement of our year 10 pupils.

## What was explored in the workshop

- Understand the skills necessary to make successful transitions to the next stage of life and meet employer expectations
- Know how to showcase skills to employers
- Understand the different types of CV and covering letter
- Be aware of how digital footprints, including social media profiles, might affect chances of getting a job
- Understand tips and tricks that will help in an interview
- Be aware of a range of approaches to job hunting that will help to get a dream job
- Access and use information about the labour market to inform career decisions and understand which jobs offer long term prospects, including STEM related opportunities
- Set SMART goals and plan next steps to achieve these goals
- Know where to go to find more information and support

We encourage you to speak to your child about their experience and talk about what they gained from the workshop. We are always striving to improve the delivery of these sessions and we would appreciate any feedback you may have upon speaking to your son/daughter. A quick questionnaire can be found [here](#).

# Online Safety Newsletter

December 2022



## Instagram

Is your child on Instagram? **You should be over 13 years of age to set up an account.**

Instagram is used to post photos and videos. Users can also DM (direct message), send disappearing messages, add to their stories (these disappear after 24 hours) and broadcast live.

Instagram have now introduced new age verification software to help confirm the age of users. Any user who tries to change their age will have to upload an ID document or take a video selfie. You can find out more here:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/blog/instagram-rolls-out-age-verification-for-users>

## Personalised Digital Toolkit

Answer some simple questions and get age specific advice and recommendations:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-family->

## Parental controls

With Christmas nearly here and perhaps with presents including new technology or related games being received, we thought we'd provide you with a little reminder of how to set up appropriate parental controls.

### Games/consoles

First, check the PEGI rating of any new games to ensure that your child is old enough to be playing them. PEGI provides age classifications for games and **considers the age suitability of a game, not the level of difficulty.**

It is important to note that PEGI do not take into consideration the chat facilities within games. If a game does allow your child to communicate with others then you can adjust the settings so they are appropriate to your child - or disable it completely.

Secondly, for any consoles (new and old), it is important to set up appropriate controls such as restricting spending limits and again managing who they can communicate with. Follow the links below to find out how to set up Parental Controls for each device:

#### Xbox:

<https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/community/for-everyone/responsible-gaming>

#### PS5:

<https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/ps5-parental-controls-spending-limits/>

#### Nintendo Switch:

<https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls-1183145.html>

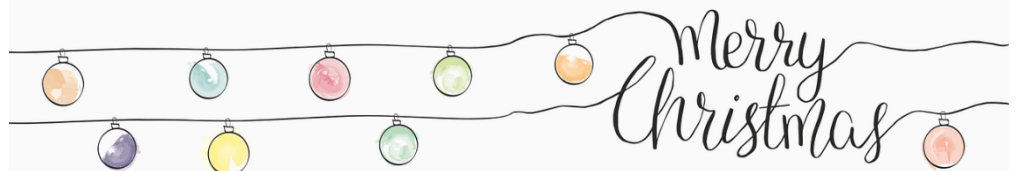


### Tablets/Smart phones

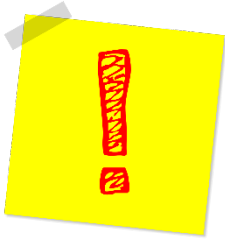
As well as setting up parental controls on the device itself, remember to check any apps your child would like on their device. Is it suitable for their age? Review all settings and privacy options for each app. For the devices themselves use the available settings to prevent purchases, restrict content viewed and adjust privacy settings. Follow the links below to find out more:

**iPhones/iPads:** <https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201304>

**Google Play:** <https://support.google.com/googleplay/answer/1075738>



# Online Sexual Abuse



Talking to our children about online sexual abuse can be difficult, which is why the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) have developed the TALK checklist. You can access the checklist here:

<https://talk.iwf.org.uk/>

The TALK checklist covers:

**T** = Talk to your child

**A** = Agree ground rules

**L** = Learn about what your child is doing online

**K** = Know how to use apps and tools to help keep your child safe online

If you download the full resource, it also discusses why children with SEND may be at greater risk, how to deal with difficult questions and ground rules that you could set.

## Unwanted sexual advances on social media

Report Harmful Content detail how you can report unwanted sexual advances on the more popular social networking sites below:

<https://reportharmfulcontent.com/advice/unwanted-sexual-advances/>

## CEOP advice

CEOP have published several articles providing further information:

### What is sexual abuse?

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/What-is-sexual-abuse>

### Finding out your child has been sexually abused:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/Finding-out-your-child-has-been-sexually-abused-or-exploited/>

# How can the law help me?

Whilst we wait for the Online Safety Bill to be passed, which will hopefully improve Online Safety, there are certain laws already established to help protect us online. For example, in the UK we have the Malicious Communications Act 1988 that states it is an offence to send a communication that conveys an indecent or grossly offensive message or a threat. We also have the Protection from Harassment Act 1997, which covers threatening behaviour or harassment online.

Report Harmful Content have curated a list of laws that are relevant to online behaviour here:

<https://reportharmfulcontent.com/when-should-you-go-to-the-police/>



## Mental Health

If your child is experiencing mental health issues, then it's important to know that there are organisations set up to help those who need support with their mental health. The NHS website sets out when you should seek professional help for your child, as well as links to online organisations. In addition, ChildLine and Calm can offer support and advice.

Find out more here:

- <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/mental-health-services/mental-health-services-for-young-people/children-young-people-mental-health-services-cymhs-parents-carers-information/>
- <https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/>
- <https://www.thecalmzone.net/get-support>

## CEOP: Updated 11-18 website

CEOP Education have updated and created one area for all 11 – 18 year olds to access. This website replaces the previously separated areas for 11-13s and 14+. You can find out more here:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/professionals/our-views/2022/our-new-website-for-young-people-aged-11-18/>

## Screen time advice

We're often asked how long children should spend on their devices each day. Childnet have created a blog discussing why it is difficult to specify a limit and what you should consider. You can read it here:

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/screen-time-guidance-for-parents-and-carers/>

Phone: 0300 123 6738  
Email: schooltransport@lancashire.gov.uk

Your ref:  
Our ref: TC 696/4332/AG  
Date: 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

**RETIMING & REROUTING OF SERVICE 696 COTTAM VIA CATFORTH – BROUGHTON HS**

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**This timetable will commence from Tuesday 3 January 2023.**

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COTTAM Ancient Oak	0800
COTTAM Cottam Way	0805
COTTAM Hoyles Lane	0808
WOODPLUMPTON Bartle Lane	0813
CATFORTH Village Hall	0820
CATFORTH Lewth Lane	0825
BROUGHTON HS	0830

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**Please note the 696 service will serve all stops along route.**

Passengers boarding at stops Coleridge Close and Valentines Meadow along Cottam Way, will need to board at stop Cottom Way opp. Keats Way. Passengers boarding at stop Kingsley Road on Hoyles Lane, will need to board at stop opp. Miller Lane.

Passengers are advised to be at their stop 5 minutes before the bus is due and signal clearly to the driver by putting their hand out.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Glover  
Principal Transportation Officer

**Lancashire County Council**  
PO Box 100, County Hall, Preston, PR1 0LD



## ROUTE DESCRIPTION.

From COTTAM Ancient Oak via Merry Trees Lane, Haydocks Lane, Cottam Way, Lea Road, , Sidgreaves Lane, Hoyles Lane, Sandy Lane, Bartle Lane, Lea Lane, Rosemary Lane, Catforth Road, Lewth Lane, Moorside Lane, Woodplumpton Road, Newsham Hall Lane and Woodplumpton Lane to BROUGHTON HS.

Returning from BROUGHTON HS via outward route reversed.

